

COUNTY OF ERIE
LOCAL LAW INTRO. NO. 9 - 2002 (Print 2)
LOCAL LAW NO. 3 - 2002

A LOCAL LAW setting forth additional eligibility criteria for certain organizations seeking public benefit monies from the County of Erie.

BE IT ENACTED by the Legislature of the County of Erie as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent. This local law is enacted to establish criteria that must be met by certain organizations requesting public benefit funding from the County of Erie, which do not have objects, and purposes that fit within the legal framework created by Article 5 of the County Law. The criteria set forth herein is intended to expand, to some degree, the types of organizations that may receive public benefit funding from the County.

Section 2. Qualifying Criteria. In addition to expenditures otherwise authorized by federal, state and local laws, the County of Erie may pay public benefit monies to entities that meet the following qualifications:

- A. municipalities located within the County of Erie that seek funding for programs or initiatives that promote the growth or prosperity of business opportunities/districts, public health, well-being or safety or that promote regionalism and cooperation between municipal entities;
- B. organizations that provide food, shelter, counseling, medical services, educational services or recreation/athletic programs for residents of the County of Erie, especially youth, senior citizens or needy persons residing in the County of Erie; such organizations may provide an opportunity for individuals to take part in activities run by a for-profit entity;
- C. organizations that provide services to veterans and/or handicapped residing in the County of Erie;
- D. volunteer firefighter organizations;
- E. organizations that seek to preserve the ethnic and cultural heritage of the County of Erie or that seek to promote regionalism or re-build, beautify and strengthen neighborhoods within the County of Erie;

F. organizations that foster economic development in the County of Erie or that promote tourism or sports/recreation in the area by attracting visitors/participants from outside the County of Erie and/or drawing attention to the area's natural resources;

G. organizations that prevent and/or treat drug abuse, alcohol abuse and/or domestic violence;

H. organizations that seek to promote literary or artistic endeavors in the County of Erie; and

I. organizations that seek to rejuvenate the County of Erie and stem the population decline in the County by retaining our leaders of tomorrow.

Section 3. Additional Qualifying Criteria. The County of Erie may also pay public benefit monies to entities that, in general, serve a legitimate public purpose in their endeavors.

Section 4. Effective Date. This local law shall become effective on the date it is filed in the office of the Secretary of State.

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